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Broome Community College Student Newspaper

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Carnival Welcomes Students Benefits Community as well as athletics

by Lynsey Pavlik

The O parking lot of the BCC campus played host to Broome's Summer Carnival '97 August 20 - 23. Benefitting BCC athletics, the carnival featured rides, games, food and fun for the whole family.

A&M Amusements provided the rides, the same as you would find at the likes of the Johnson City Field Days. The carnival featured five adult rides, four children's rides and ten games. Though Binghamton showers graced attendants at the carnival, the fair proved to be a success.

Proceeds went to the BCC athletic department for various needs as they may arise throughout the coming year. "It's always good to have a little extra spending money," said Dan Minch, coordinator of the Carnival and the athletics director at Broome. The extra money, an undetermined amount because BCC Security still needs to be paid for their work, is used for unexpected expenses, such as rental van re-

pairs, or equipment and uniforms. Minch also added that it is nice to be able to help a team out if they make it to any junior college national competitions.

Benefitting the athletic department was not the only goal of the carnival though. Minch commented that another main goal was to get the community on the campus. The carnival was intended to be a family event as much as a fund raiser. Minch added that he just wanted everyone to enjoy themselves.

Minch began planning the carnival last spring. He said it was hard work but he had help from BCC's vice president Charlie Quagliatta, student activities director Dave Maslar and the coaching staff at Broome. If the athletic department decides to host another carnival, Minch said he would like to plan more in advance and get more help in planning. He added that the timing of the event was difficult also because so much is happening at the college the week before classes begins, which was the time of the carnival.

The athletic department will probably realize about a \$300 profit after security is paid. They had hoped for around \$1000, but because of poor weather, the turnout was not what was anticipated. There was no fee for parking and no admissions charge. Broome received a percentage of ticket ride sales from A & M Amusements, which was the main source of profit.

BCC food services provided food booths and the Broome Ice Hockey team sold ice cream. Over the four days the carnival ran, approximately 800-900 people attended the carnival. Wednesday, August 20 was not only the first day of the festivities, but also freshman orientation. It was not only students that were invited to have fun at BCC, all factions of the community were publicly invited.

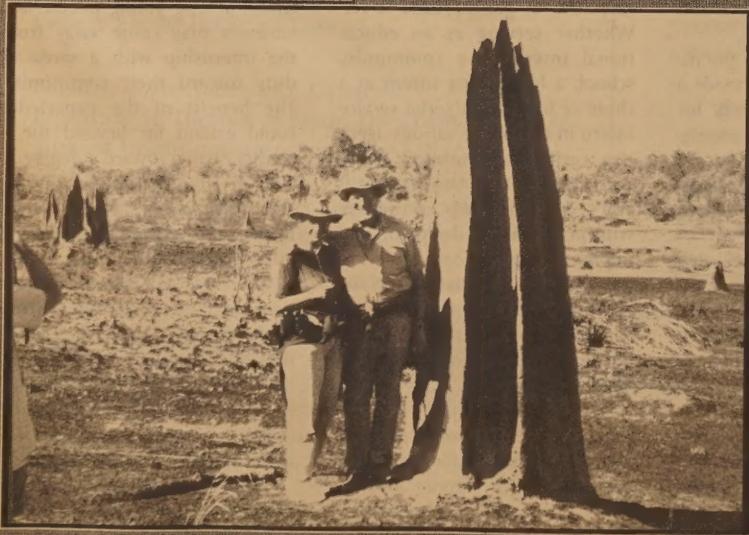
An onslaught of advertising called everyone to eat, ride and play in August. The BCC Bookstore sent out fliers to all students along with the announcement of store hours. Dave Masslar sent out letters to fresh-

man and returning students, and the Faculty/Student Association posted 200 fliers around Broome County.

Advertising efforts were not limited to those at the college however. A&M Amusements gave the athletic department 100 free posters to hang. Giant Markets posted announcements as well as running a special five ride ticket for \$4, GHS Federal Credit Union, the official bank of BCC, hung posters, and the local media also helped out. *The Press & Sun Bulletin* did a story and ran adds in the "Good Times" section. Radio stations WMVR and WMXW were scheduled to broadcast from the carnival but WMXW was rained out. WMVR, however, broadcasted on Thursday.

Despite whether or not Minch and the department will be putting on another department fund raiser, all athletic teams will continue to hold various separate fund raisers. Look for pizza sales, candy sales and raffle ticket sales to support Broome sport teams.

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PROFESSORS ELLIOT & JUDY REITZ NEXT TO A MAGNETIC TERMITE MOUND. (PHOTO COURTESY OF ELLIOT REITZ)

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CAMPUS NEWS

Local national

*from
around the
WORLD!!*

Decker Building Set To Open. Really.

by Jennifer Sager

Many people are wondering what is going on with the Decker Building. After a quick chat with BCC's Facilities Engineer, Rick Armstrong, I think that I might have some answers.

The Decker Building is going to be housing all off the medical related curricula. The building was supposed to open for the fall semester 1996 but the date was

postponed because of delays of receiving material. The date was then pushed to this semester.

As you can see, there was another delay. The floors were placed wrong and had to be fixed.

Despite the delay, the Decker building will be opening this semester. Classes should be moving into the building in October or November. The grounds around

the building should be completed this month.

There are seven health-related majors going into this building. Nursing, Dental Hygiene, medical Lab Technician, Health Information Technology, X-Ray Technology, Medical Records and Physical Therapy Assistant. All of these courses are going to be working together with better equipment.

The new building has a large amount of space. The building consists of 6 general classrooms, one conference room, and one assembly room. The building is equipped with a student lounge, study space, and about a dozen labs.

Thirty seven of BCC's faculty will be moving in with the students as soon as it can be opened.

Library Construction on Schedule

by Neil Patrick Finch

Construction in the Cecil Tyrell Library continues as the fall semester begins. The project, which involves several aspects have been in progress since the early summer of 1997.

The primary goal is the removal of asbestos products in the roof and on the interior surfaces

of the library structure. While this is going on, the roof of the building has been removed, and is being replaced.

According to the BCC Facilities Engineer, Rick Armstrong, the project has been moving fairly well, despite delays in the preliminary stages.

He said that the roofing pro-

ject was complete and projected that the asbestos removal in the building should be completed by September 17.

Following the completion of the asbestos removal, work will commence on the removal and replacement of the mechanical systems.

Armstrong stated that these

processes will each take around one month.

The expected date for completion of the project is December 19. The library collection will return to the structure over Christmas break, with the other departments following through the Spring Semester.

Community Interns Gain Experience, Give Service

by Michael Vivian

After Jane Smith began attending BCC as a physical therapy student, she developed some doubts about her career choice. In an attempt to resolve those doubts, she entered the Community Intern Program at the school, which placed her in a local hospital to work with injured people in need of her skills. The experience changed her outlook in ways she never would have guessed.

She began to believe her career choice was a mistake. Working with severely injured people every day depressed her and she pondered changing her major at school. One day, she walked onto the unit to report for work and got a real surprise.

A comatose patient Jane worked with every day looked up at her and said "Hello." Then the patient thanked her for coming to work with her every day. These were the first words Jane heard from the patient, and the feeling of gratitude and accomplishment turned everything around for her. She knew her future was in helping people like this get well.

Jane is a real person,

though Jane is not her real name. She is just one of the many students at BCC to take advantage of the Community Internship Program offered here. The program has been running for 6 years and usually accommodates 10 - 12 students per semester. Placements are made into education, law, health care, social service and computer science agencies.

The main goal of the internship program is to provide a service learning opportunity for BCC students. Practical experience can be a major factor in determining one's career choice and, once gained, shows up quite prominently on a resume.

According to Prof. Ben Kasper, who administers the program, other aspects of the internship experience go beyond job training and resume building. As the nation follows a trend toward service learning, a student's interaction within the community can be part of a community college's obligation to serve the community.

There are concerns about disconnection from the community which are finding a voice across the country. The quality of

community living is deteriorating, they say. Individual involvement in local community concerns has waned and disassociation is becoming the norm. One of the goals of the internship is to reverse that trend.

By interning, a student gets involved within the community on a grass roots level. Whether serving as an educational intern at a community school, a health care intern at a clinic or hospital, a social service intern in one of the various agencies caring for those in need, working for the Attorney General's office to help consumers with problems, or designing and implementing new computer networks to assist various community-based agencies accomplish their goals, interns have direct contact with various parts of the community.

Government downsizing in the face of expanding needs for social services create a gap into which interns may fit nicely. An internship becomes a win-win situation. The need for services is fulfilled while the student gets valuable life experiences and develops an understanding of

the needs of others. Hopefully, that understanding prompts ongoing involvement in the community.

We live in a time when apathy seems to have a strong hold over the population. Working on worthwhile community endeavors can promote civic education among young people and students may come away from the internship with a sense of duty toward their community. The benefit of the experience could extend far beyond the 3 credits earned toward a degree.

Doug Garnar, who heads the History and Social Sciences Dept., has set Thursday, October 30 as the date for a Volunteer Fair to be held in the atrium of Titchener Hall. Representatives from many agencies, including many that offer internships, will be on hand during the Common Hour to answer questions and talk about their work. Interested students are encouraged to attend.

If you would like more information or have questions about an internship, you can talk to Mr. Kasper or Mr. Garnar. Both have offices in Titchener Hall, Mr. Kasper in T-211 and Mr.

Time Management a concern for Freshmen

by Gwendolyn C. Ray

There are approx. 1100 new freshmen on campus this semester, ranging in age from 17-56.

After talking with several freshmen, I found that one of the biggest issues for freshmen this semester is time management. They find it hard to incorporate school, work and friends all into

one 24 hour day.

They also feel that we need a better support group for issues like these.

Karina L. Johnson, a 30 year old freshman and mother, said "being a freshman in college is a new experience, and after being out of school for years I had lots of question's."

"I found the staff to be very

impatient," she said. "I think the facility and staff should be a little more personable especially during the first couple week's of class.", says freshman Chantal Mendez.

On a more positive note some freshmen say they were glad there was not a lot of teasing and taunting like they put up with as freshmen in high school.

Freshmen Adrian Elijha said, "I'm so glad I don't have to hear people yelling and screaming things like 'freshmeat' and 'freshmites'." She said, "all the upper classmen were really nice to me, and made me feel really welcome." As this semester continues we should remember that we were all once freshmen. We should encourage freshmen that things do get easier.

BCC Tutoring Center Open for Students

by Regina Roys

As another semester begins the BCC Tutoring Center is up and running smoothly. Due to temporary shutdown of the Library building, the tutoring center is once again located in the Student Services building in room 205.

Office hours are daily from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. You'll receive one on one tutoring from a knowledgeable and friendly staff

in a relaxed and pleasant atmosphere.

The tutoring provided by the center is FREE of charge. Students merely need to stop by the tutoring center in SS 205 and fill out an application which will be followed by a brief meeting with Ms. Paniccia to set the student up with a tutor and a schedule.

Students are encouraged to take advantage of the drop in sessions that are provided in such

courses as BIO, CST, all Physics and many more. These drop sessions are said to be helpful to students, because they are done in a group setting that meets weekly.

Times vary as to fit any students busy schedule. Students may join these sessions at any time.

The tutoring center is a convenient way for students of BCC to

receive help they need, FREE of charge.

Some learning centers at BCC and their locations are as follows:

- Math Lab SS 203
- Writing Center SS 204
- Hearing Impaired Center SS 204
- Learning Disability Center SS 206

Upcoming Common Hour Events

Oct. 2

- Gender Equity in the Classroom, T 101
- Danny Sheehan, Comedian, BCC Cafeteria
- Are You Flexing Your Reading Muscle?, T 105

Oct. 9

- On the Track of the Big Twisters, T 101
- Cathy Braaten, Music, BCC Cafeteria
- Advocating for Yourself, T 104
- Writer's Workshop

Oct. 16

- Common Faces, BCC Cafeteria
- Test Anxiety/Test Taking Strategies, T 105

Oct. 23

- Meet the Athletes/Meet the Clubs, BCC Cafeteria
- Accomodations-When Do I Use Them?, T 104
- Direct Marketing, B110

Oct. 30

- Halloween Costume Contest, BCC Cafeteria
- Memory Improvement, T 105
- College Choir, Titchener Lounge

Nov. 6

- Banachek, Mentalist, BCC Cafeteria
- Aquitting St. Thomas of Error: The Cosmological Argument from Contingency and the Fallacy of Composition, T 101
- F.A.T. City Video (Part 1), T 104
- Job Search Skills '98-The Resume, T 106

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EDITORS NOTE...

Welcome back and I hope that you are all doing well so far this semester.

This edition has gotten off to a slow start, and we are hoping that the rest of this semester's issues won't take so long to get to you. I apologize greatly.

Please contact me or any other member of the HORNET staff with any comments or concerns.

Thanks for taking the time to read this first issue of the BCC Hornet.

Good Luck,

Sarah Brainard, editor

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The Topic...
Women in Combat

ON CAMPUS

Communications Curriculum Club

by Sarah Brainard

The Communications Curriculum Club headed off for a week long trip to Atlanta and Orlando at the commencement of last semester.

In Atlanta we toured the Coca-Cola Factory and had a backstage tour of CNN, Atlanta. For many of the students in the group it was a good experience to see what jobs are really out there in the field of communications. It tended to be a very educational, informational, tour.

This section will be in every issue this semester. It will be to highlight the doings of different clubs or campus activities. If you have any ideas for upcoming issues please contact the Hornet staff. THANKS!!!

The arrival in Florida brought many adventures too. From going to Daytona Beach to getting a tattoo, we did what we wanted with our free time. We also went dancing at the Baja Beach Club, which was an adventure in itself.

The main reason for going to Florida was the seven hour Back-

stage tour of Walt Disney World. This tour was great, we saw things that most do not, some of the little Disney secrets, and we were taught how to paint and animation cell plus various other things.

The group is looking forward to a trip to Boston in June.



Biology Trip to Australia

Students and faculty enjoy trip Down under

by Pam Farrell

Biology students, faculty, and friends spent and adventurous week this summer in Australia.

Headed by biology professor Elliot Reitz, 21 students packed their necessities and headed to the land down under to observe the wildlife.

They stayed in Cairns, Australia, a northeastern city where

the streets are safe by night and the packed with tourists by day.

The excursion began at the Great Barrier Reef.

There, everyone spent four days observing the aquatic life from a sailboat and those interested were allowed to get a closer look by means of snorkeling or scuba diving.

After a few days of preparing themselves, the group headed for

the outback. They camped for three nights and got up close and personal with crocodiles, kangaroos, and the exotic birds native to the land.

The groups final destination led them to a tropical rain forest.

According to biology professor Mark Demetros, also part of the group, they stayed there for about three nights in a 200 year old lodge.

They visited the rainforest both during the day and evening to comprehend the endless activity.

Altogether, the trip cost each student \$3,000. This covered all accommodations, 49 meals, transportation, snorkeling, and scuba-diving gear, and camping equipment.

There is another trip planned to Australia in about two years.

OUTBACK MOMENTS



ELMER CORNELIUS & PROF. BONNIE DEISTER WITH A ROCK WALLABY IN CAIRNS AREA, AUSTRALIA



BCC STUDENTS "HAM IT UP" IN OUTBACK DURING A HIKE.



BCC INSTRUCTOR JUDY REITZ WITH A KOALA.



A "REAL COWBOY" (CALLED A JACKAROO) IN AUSTRALIA.

*A Special Thanks to Elliot Reitz
for providing the photographs and
the extra information.*

CONVOCATION 97

By Sue Watson

George McGovern will be a keynote speaker on Thursday September 25 at 11 am in the Student Center during common hour. He's speaking to us, not as an ex-presidential candidate, not

as an ex-senator, but as a father.

A father who said, "he lost his 'shining star' to alcoholism." A disease which many of you think cannot touch you.

Drinking is cool, right? Come and hear this father's story, this man's anguish, and then decide

how cool it really is.

Listen to Terry McGovern's story of the battle of alcoholism. It may make a difference in your life, or the life of someone you love.

"They found her body face-down in the snow....her bare

hands frozen." Those were the headlines in Dec., 1994.

What set this woman and this incident apart from thousands of others who lost their battle to the bottle? She was the daughter of ex-presidential candidate and ex-Senator George McGovern.

George McGovern

Convocation Speaker

"Terry: My Daughter's Life and Death Struggle with Alcoholism"

**September 25
11 a.m.
Baldwin Gym**

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• Book signing to follow •
12:15 - 1 p.m.

MEDIA RELEASE

George McGovern will address BCC's students and faculty at the Fall Convocation on Sept. 25 at 11 a.m. in the Baldwin Gymnasium.

BCC's fall semester academic theme is Alcohol and substance Abuse: A Challenge to Community. Mr. McGovern, designated spokesperson for the national Council on Alcoholism and Drug Dependence, will be talking about the loss of his daughter, Teresa Jane, to alcoholism.

Gold Ribbons will be distributed in honor of the memory of Terry McGovern.

BCC RECEIVES GRANT

BCC recently received a U.S. Department of Education's Fund for the Improvement of Post Secondary Education (FIPSE) Grant. The focus of the grant is the prevention and education of alcohol abuse on college campuses.

"This is a provocative topic," said Margherita Rossi, Convocation Chairperson. "It's an awareness campaign that focuses on the health and wellness issue of drug and alcohol abuse."

There will be discussions about alcohol and drug abuse in classes prior to the convocation and the theme will carry on throughout the semester. Also, the college's Common Hour sessions will be related to the issue.

SPORTS

Men's Soccer as strong as ever

by Jonathan Gruber

The Broome Community College men's soccer team is off to a perfect start this season after opening with three decisive wins.

The Hornets opened their season on the road with a 3-2 victory over Jefferson Community College. Freshmen Chris Benjamin scored the game winning goal 20 minutes into the second half. Rob Wark added a goal and a assist for the Hornets.

Next the Hornets hosted their own tournament and proved why they were ranked number five in the preseason national poll.

The Hornets cruised to two easy victories over Fredrick Community College and Schenectady Community College of Maryland. The Hornets outscored their two opponents 11-1.

Bejamin, wark, Jamie Layton, Matt Hopkins, and Sean Hooker all provided strong offensive per-

formances for the Hornets over the two game tournament.

The Hornets are looking to repeat their strong performance from last year. The Hornets, 14-4-1 last season, finished number seven in the NJCAA Division III national rankings.

Coach Al LaBerera says he is confident that the team can match last seasons ranking. "We'll be very competitive, we ought to hold the same type of

record as last season."

With five returning starters and 15 newcomers the team will have to sort out it's lineup. But with four of the five returning players on defense, it will assuredly be the strong point of the team.

Despite these new players, Coach LaBarera says he will be looking a lot towards the newcomers, and thinks the team is a solid team all around.

Women's Soccer Team Ready to Roll

by Kristine Robillard

The Broome Community College women's soccer team has begun their season with a record of two wins and one loss. The head coach, Bill Rich, was confident, saying that this season should prove to be very successful.

In the first game of the season, Broome defeated Cobleskill 1-0. Melissa Korosec scored the only goal of the game with an assist by

Sybil Gregory.

Broome defeated their second opponent, Keystone Junior College by a score of 9-2. Natalie Antonios lead the scoring with three goals, followed by Korosec and Erica Foster with two goals apiece; Gregory and Christine Casey had one goal each.

In the women's third game of the season, Fulton Montgomery CC defeated Broome 2-1. the solo BCC goal was made by Jaime

Slavetskas, with the combined assist by Kate Harrison and Gregory.

The starting line-up consists of three forwards, Antonios, Slavetskas, and Gregory; three mid-fielders, Korosec, Casey and Kim Devita; four defensemen, Harrison, Elisha Perkins, Patricia Knowles, Holly Miller, and Goalie, Amy Polhamus. Foster, Brianna Salazar, Kim Perreault, and Maria Retezatu round out the team of 15 players.

Eleven games remain in the women's season, including six home games scheduled for September 20, 25, 30 and October 8, 10, and 19. There is also a tournament scheduled to be played at Broome on the weekend of October 4-5.

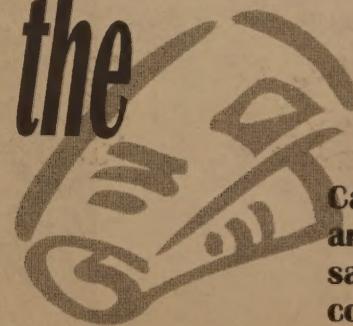
This is Bill Rich's first year coaching the BCC women's soccer team. he said he is working hard to improve last years' record of 6 and 9.

Next Issue...

**Golf, Volleyball
Men's and Women's Soccer,
& Cross Country**

Want to write for the

BCC Hornet???



Call 778-5602
and leave a message for Sarah, or
contact one of the
BCC Hornet staff.

The Arts

BCC Theatre Review: "But One of Them is Irish"

by Michael E. Vivian

The Little Theatre on the BCC Campus disappeared over the weekend of 9/5 through 9/7. In its place, there sprung up an Italian restaurant.

Under the direction of Angelo Zuccolo, Theatre/BCC constructed a pizza parlor with all the ethnicity on the stage of the theatre. The World Premiere of *"But One of Them is Irish"*, by Bernard Mendillo, opened on 9/5.

Throughout the weekend, audiences were entertained by this funny and farcical play. I attended the show on its final night, 9/7. The crowd was sizable, almost filling the Little Theatre. As I walked out of the theatre, I noticed a smile on every face I saw.

The play takes us through an eventful day at the Three Guys from Italy Pizza Parlor. The owner, Joe Parlamo (played by Joseph Santangelo), finds a letter informing him of the death of his Uncle in Italy. It also informs him of the impending visit of his

Cousin Rocco Di Santo (played by Angelo Zuccolo). The problem is, since the letter was found well after it was delivered, Rocco is to arrive that very day.

The madcap comedy that ensues provided for quite an enter-

taining evening. Along with Joe, we meet his girlfriend Maria Buonanova (played by Joellyn MacLeod), Maria O'Reilly (played by Naomi VanHart), and Maria Albanotte (played by Elaine Kuracina). The Maria theme was

played to its ridiculous extreme with great humor and style. Then we are introduced to Joe's (not so) silent partner, Kevin Lynch (played by Wm. Craig Hoffman, Jr.), an Irish divorce lawyer who is convinced God is punishing him.

The stereotypes abound and are humorously portrayed with skill by the cast. Never insulting, these characters show us the reason why ethnic differences can provide spice and fun in the lives of those associated with them.

The entire cast displayed professionalism in their performance, but those of Mr. Zuccolo and Ms. Kuracina were notable for their panache. I found myself laughing too loudly and had to forcibly restrain myself from distracting others with my laughter. The confusion of family entanglements and outrageous behaviors, past and present, provided fertile ground for comedy infused into this story.

If you missed the show, you missed a chance to lighten your early semester load of anxiety.

BCC Theatre Schedule

Friday, Saturday, Sunday
September 26, 27, 28
"Old Times"

Friday, Saturday, Sunday
October 24, 25, 26
"Confrontations"

Saturday
November 15
"The Italian Grandmothers Dinner"



LEFT:
TWO OF THE THREE MARIA'S CONVERSE

BELOW:
JOE PARLAMO SPEAKS HIS MIND.

Theatre BCC

